

DIARY NOTES

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1 December 1958

DD/S [REDACTED]

1. Larry Houston was in to give me a brief report on his field trip and called my attention to the following:

a. At every Station he visited they pleaded for Headquarters guidance on overtime policy.

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b. The Communications man in [REDACTED] does not have enough to do and Larry suspects that there may be others in similar circumstances at our smaller Stations.

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c. A 2,200-pound safe was shipped via air [REDACTED] The Station Chief, of course, was pleased with the prompt service which he had received but had not requested air shipment and was appalled at the expense.

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d. [REDACTED] reported to him that they were about ready for their first test run on the critical intelligence communications network. H

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e. Jack also raised the question as to what we were planning to do in case we had to give up [REDACTED] This was brought about due to the current unrest and interest in [REDACTED] H

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2. I talked with [REDACTED] Ting Sheldon and Bob Macy, Bureau of the Budget, concerning a request from the Bureau for a briefing on the Soviet airplane which is alleged to be nuclear propelled. Ting followed this up with the Director who said that he would not give such a briefing unless requested to do so by Mr. Stans personally. As far as I know no such request has been made.

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3. [REDACTED] asked me to needle Bob Macy, Bureau of the Budget, about additional releases from the Reserve for Project CORONA inasmuch as it would be too late if we waited for the Department of Defense to sort out the over-all cost of this program. I have done this and Bob has promised me an early answer.

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4. [REDACTED] has also advised me that when he takes over as the Deputy Director (Plans) he proposes to merge the DD/P Air Division with his own Air Staff. He thought that the logical place to do this would seem to be in the Matomic Building and by taking this action he could save some personnel. He also said that he wanted to take a look at the Aircraft Maintenance Support Division in the Office of Logistics and I told him that I had no objection to his doing this and would so inform Jim Garrison when he returned on Monday, 8 December. I also told him that it would be very difficult to find another place for [REDACTED] and his staff but that I would have Jim look into this as soon as possible. H

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25X1A6a 5. I departed [REDACTED] at 1335 hours with Bob Macy of the Bureau of the Budget, Bill Darden and Ken BeLieu of the Senate Armed Services Committee Staff and Francis Hewitt and Mike Rexroad of the Senate Appropriations Committee Staff. H

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